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EVALUATION OF [ ] PHOTOGRAPHY

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INTRODUCTION

The following PI analysis and evaluation is based on [ ] photography dated [ ]  
The photography was forwarded to NPIC in the form of 5 enlarged mosaics covering 5 areas of activity which constitute an extremely limited portion of the Sino-Indian border.

TALENT Missions [ ]

[ ] were used for comparative purposes.

Targets previously reported as NPIC targets are noted in this report.

PHOTOGRAPHIC EVALUATION

1. PANGTHANG (2832N 9658E)

The area annotated [ ] is a partially walled probable military camp containing 3 barracks-type buildings, one probable mess hall and 3 sheds. Two guard posts are visible along the wall. Four small possibly associated sheds and a basketball court are outside the walled area. This area was covered on near vertical photography on [ ] but was not reported.

2. FARM SOUTH OF PANGTHANG (2831N 9658E)

Two areas are annotated [ ] The northernmost contains 4 barracks-type buildings, 5 small sheds and construction materials for what appears to be another building. This area does not appear military and may be associated with local farming.

The southernmost area contains an animal shed, a probable barn and 3 huts. Seven other huts are visible just northeast of the area. These buildings all appear to be associated with farming in the area.

The small objects annotated as wooden planks on animals moving to the northernmost area could not be confirmed due to

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poor quality of the mosaic. These two areas were covered by oblique photography on [ ] but were not reported.

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3. DRI (2834N 9655E)

The area contains 3 barracks-type buildings, one probable mess hall, a watchtower or guard post connected to one of the barracks-type buildings by a trench and 7 small sheds. The amounts of felled timber in the surrounding area indicate this area may be a logging camp. This area was covered by oblique photography on [ ] but was not reported.

4. YUSA (2853N 9644E)

Two small possibly military camps are under construction. At present they contain a total of 4 barracks-type buildings, foundations for 2 probable barracks-type buildings, 2 guard or watchtowers, approximately 10 small sheds, a foundation for an additional building and a basketball court. The Yusa area was covered by vertical and oblique photography on Mission [ ] but the camps were not visible.

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5. NECHE (2906N 9629E)

This area has been reported in Mission [ ] as Portsang, Defenses (NPIC 0436-15). The area has been expanded between [ ] and now contains 3 barracks-type buildings, an additional building under construction, 2 small huts, 2 AW positions and a trench system.

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CONCLUSIONS

Suitability for photographic interpretation of the [ ] photography, as provided, is poor. The photography apparently has been enlarged beyond its resolution limits and/or is degraded through several generations of reproduction and possible poor copy work. Considerable degradation is noted around the edges.

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NPIC interpretation of individual targets is in general agreement with [ ] interpretation.

Geographic coordinates were not provided for each mosaic nor were map references. This caused difficulty in the location of each area. A further difficulty was encountered in that in some instances referenced town names to not appear on standard AMS maps.

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